WASHINGTON, D. C., MONDAY EVENING, MARCH 17, 1890.

## PATRON SAINT OF ERIN.

CELEBRATING ST. PATRICK'S DAY

IN WASHINGTON. There is No Parade, but Irishmen Go to Church Instead - Wearing of the Green in Congress-The Event

Elsewhere.

St. Patrick's Day, as usual, opened blustery and cold. Men were observed on the street wearing green ribbons in the lappels of their coats in lieu of the shamrock which blooms so beautifully on the "ould sod" of Ireland, but there was no parade of the Irish knights and benevolent and temperance societies. The recurrence of the day which commemorates the birthday of St. Patrick was always made demonstrative with a parade and a review by the President of the United States in front of the White House, but these parades were discontinued several years ago on acount of the expense attending them. The day, which was generally one of parades and conviviality and banquets, is now observed quietly and in attending church services by the Irish Cath-

At St. Patrick's Church there was a 10 o'clock high mass service, and the church was crowded in every part. The altars were resplendent with lights and flowers and the music was of a high order of excellence. Beneath a scarlet throne sat Cardinal Gibbons attired in sacredotal robes and wearing a red beretta. Other prelates within the sanctuary were Most Reverend Archbishop Ryan of Philadelphia and Bishop Keane, as also Rev. Father Walters, pastor of the Church, Rev Fathers Mackin, Whelan and McGee. Rev. Father Walter was celebrant of the mass, Rev. Father, Mackin, deacon, Rev. Father Whelan, sub-deacon, Rev. Father McGee

master of ceremonies. The choir sang portions of Marzo's Mass and Haydn's Mass, No. 2. At the offertory the Creator Alme Siederum and Veni Creator were superbly rendered. The choir, one of the best in Washington, is under the direction of Signor Maina, and Miss Loulie Boone is the organist. The soloists are Misses Marie Decca and Ella Vandoren, Mrs. J. Esputa Daley, Messrs. James Collins, B. A. Ryan and Signor M. Maina.

A. Ryan and Signor M. Maina.

The panegyric of St. Patrick was elequently given by Most Rev. Archbishop Ryan of Philadelphia. He depicted in glowing terms the many virtues of the illustrious Saint, and told of what he had done for Ireland in the causes of religion and temperance. At the close of the services Cardinal Gibbons and Bishop Keane were entertained at dinner by Rey, Father Walter. fained at dinner by Rev. Father Walter in the parish residence. Beginning at 7:30 o'clock to-night the Society of Alumni of St. John's College, on Vermont avenue, will give a comp'imentary entertainment.

The patron saint of Ireland seemed to have been entirely forgotten at the District Building to day. Not one of the employes sported a sprig of shamrock, even such an enthusiastic Irishman as Watchman Frank Mulhall having neglected to honor St. Patrick. The only bit of green seen about the building all day was in a brand new emerald necktie sported by Business Manager Drew of the Building Register, who called there in the forenoon.

The fact that this is the "17th of Ireland," as St. Patrick's Day is face-tiously called, was duly recognized by those Congressmen whose hearts beat warm for the "ould sod." The Hon. of bright, brilliant and beautiful green. Mr. Caruth tried to get Mr. Luwler to share his ribbon with him, but the Chicago statesman replied:

You are a fine Irishman, you are Couldn't think to provide yourself with a green emblem on this glorious St. Patrick's Day! No, sir; you can't get any of my ribbon.' When it was suggested that St. Patrick's Day always brought bad weather,

Lawler replied somewhat indig-

"In the past four years I have noticed that here in Washington St. Patrick's Day has always had fine weather. What do you want with a finer morning than this, anyway?"

Among the other statesmen who were of the green" are General Spinola, the New York veteran of war and politics, who were the shamrock; Mr. Breckinridge of Kentucky, who had two ivy leaves pinned on the lapel of his coat; Mr. Gear of Iowa, who wore a green knot of ribbon, and Mr. Tarsney of Kansas City, who wore a gold badge of a society to which he belongs with a green ribbon attached to it. dignified statesmen of the Upper House displayed the green: Senators Allison, Blair, Mitchell, Paddock, Reagan,

Resides these statesmen. Tom Cokely who presides at the main entrance of the Representatives' Hall, also had on a big Shamrock. In the press gallery ribon of neat but not gaudy bits of green were displayed by several correspon-Handy brothers, splendid types of the cultured Irishman. Quite a number of the employes of the two Houses displayed the emerald emblem.

## TRISH GIRLS STOP A MILL

Because of a Kumpus Over St. Pat-rick's Day Decorations.

FALL RIVER, Mass., March 17 .- Au amusing but serious strike is on at the Hargraves Mill here, which has temperarily thrown 700 hands out of work. Some 200 pretty girls are the cause, but this time the trouble is between themselves and not with the corporation. In the carding-room there has been some trouble for some time, the Irish rls on one side, headed by Miss O'Calwhen I came nearer I discovered that Mr. Smith was around it.

aghan, and the English girls, supported by the American and Scotch maldens, on the other. The rumpus, which is aided and upheld by the men hands, has been over Irish politics, each side taking all opportunities to slur at the other. The approach of the 17th of March saw the Irish girls prepare to celebrate. They went to some expense o decorate their machines with green elbhons, which were promptly torn down

On Friday the Trish girls came to work, all decked out with green ribbons. The other side heard of it and showed up appareled with blue and orange. This t once to a ounrel, during which Miss O'Callaghan accused a Yankee girl of destroying their decorations and slapped her. She was in return knocked out by a strapping young English woman. The result was a general scrimmage, which was only stopped by the overseer and male help after considerable damage had been dene to feminine tollets. The girls at once quit work with their decorations. This the Irish

girls refused to do, and so the whole mill is at a standstill, while the agent is

THE DAY IN PIEDMONT.

An Imposing Demonstration—Church Services and a Dinner. PIEDMONT, VA., March 17 .- St Patrick's Day was celebrated at Pie.Imont and Westernport by a grand parade through both places, beginning at 8:45 a. m. E. ven divisions of the Aucient Order of Hibernians from Oakcient Order of Hibernians from Oakland, Elk Garden, Lonaconing, Vale Summit, Keyser, Barton, Ocean, Cumberland, Frostburg, Mt. Savage, Westernport, Cadets of Temperance from Cumberland, Frostburg, Lonaconing, Barton and Westernport, Father Mathew's Total Abstinence Society of

Lonaconing, St. Patrick's Total Ab-stinence Society of Westernport, took part in the procession.

All the clergy of Western Maryland attended and rode in carriages; also the Ancient Order Hibernian officers. The officers were Chief Marshal M. Reilly State delegate: Assistant Marshals P. J. Murphy, State Secretary; P. J. Garrett, State treasurer; Aids E. O. Gorman, James F. Laughlin, M. Foley, James Stakem. The religious services were held in St. Peter's Church, Westernport, while solemn high mass was cele-brated at 9:30. Rev. John D. Boland of St. Thomes's Church, Woodberry, preached the panegyric. The clergy were dined by Rev. P. R. Weider of St.

Peter's and the visiting delegations at GROUNDED ON A SHOAL,

Accident to the Despatch With Secre-tary Tracy on Board.

A party comprised of Secretary Tracy, Mrs. Wilmerding and Lieutenant and Mrs. Mason left Saturday morning for Norfolk on the steamer Despatch. Everything passed along smoothly until the afternoon, when a brisk gale sprang up from the south-west, which forced the water down the river into the bay, thus decreasing the depth of water in the river to such an extent that the despatch went aground on Cedar Point Shoal, sixty miles from this city. Captain Geoghegan of the steamer Sue made an effort to pull her off, but without success.

It is feared that the Despatch will have to remain on the shoal until the wind changes and the water comes up to its normal depth again. The party will suffer no inconvenience save the annoyance the accident may cause them.

GOOD FOR THE GROCERS,

The Interstate Commerce Commission Decides in Their Favor.

The Interstate Commerce Commission has rendered a decision which will be of considerable importance to the grocers throughout the country. Some 1,000 firms complained to the Commission against the Trunk Lines for discrimination in rates for carrying the same kind of goods the same distance

These cases were brought before the trunk lines by F. B. Thurber of New York. The Commission held that the carriers had a right to fix rates for different classes of freight, but the pub-lic interests are not to be subordinated. The Commission declares that in the official freight classifications groceries are unjustly classified, and a revision of rates is ordered.

District Government Notes, A third-class steam engineer's license has been granted to Howard Redulles. Ninth street, rear of E street south-

Cecil alley, Georgetown, has been cobble stone at a cost of \$235. John Balley has been appointed special policeman for duty with the

Hygenic Ice Company. The charges against Policeman C. E. Hall, tried for intoxication, have been dismissed. Policeman C. W. Kosmer, tried for conduct unbecoming an officer and for intoxication, has been found guilty of the former charge and fined \$10.

To See the "Newark" Launched, The party to witness the launching of the "Newark" at Cramp's shipyard will leave Wednesday morning. The President and Cabinet, Naval officers and Department officials, the House and Senate Naval Affairs Committees and a number of others will go. The train will leave the Sixth-street Depot

at 7:50 and arrive in Philadelphia at 11. No Fund Available. Inquiries have reached the War De partment from various quarters, asking whether there is any appropriation available to pay the expenses of veter-ars visiting the battle-field of Chickamauga for the purpose of aiding in indentifying the lines upon which they

available for that purpose. Their Labors at an End. Most of the work of the Pan-Ameri an Conference has been finished, and heir trip to the South will end the official hospitalities of the United States to the delegates. The excursion trip South

officers of the Richmond and Danville Resigned to Practice Law. Mr. HortonsPope, private secretary to Secretary Noble, has resigned to resume the practice of law at his home in St.

will be arranged and carried out by the

Mr. Smith and His Smile, From the Christian Advocate. If a woman does not like a man she can characterize him as no man ever could. A certain young man, Mr. Smith, was noted for an extraordinary and perennial smile. One of his lady schoolmates described a meeting with him thus: "As I was going out of church I saw a smile down by the door;

From the Busar, "I hear you won the prize at the spelling bee ""

'Yes: for originality. 'How was that?' "I was asked to spell water, and I said 'H2O." Everybody else withdrew from the contest on the spot.'

A Jonah on a Pire.

Prom Harper's Basur. First Young America-Why wusn't yer up to de fire las' night, Chimmy? Second Y. A. (extremely disgusted)-I wus; but, just my luck, it was put out just de minute I got dare. I allus wus a Jonah on a fire, anyhow.

When the Star Shone,

From Epoch: Pfipkins-Is there any particular night that Mr. Stormer, your star can seen at his best? Manager-Yes, pay night.

SECRECY GETS A BLOW.

THE EXECUTIVE SESSION HUMBUG IN THE SENATE.

Senator Cockrell Gives It a Setback. Depression in Agriculture\_District Matters in Committee-Case of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Senator Cockrell of Missouri this afternoon got in a powerful body blow on the executive session humbug. Immediately after the reading of the journal Mr. Cockrell arose and said he desired to present certain petitions from labor organizations in St. Louis, protesting against the ratification of the Russian extradition treaty.

Mr. Ingalls, President pro tempore, who occupied the chair, ruled that no such petitions could be received in open session of the Senate—that they could only be presented in executive session. Senators Platt, Vest and Cockrell argued in favor of the petitions being received in open session.

A vote was had and the Senate, by a

large majority, decided that such peti-tions could be received in open session. Mr. Voorhees offered a preamble and resolution reciting the great depression inder which agricultural interests were laboring, and resolving that it is "the hightest duty of Congress in the present crisis to lay aside all dissension and consideration of mere party issues, and to give prompt and immediate attention to the preparation and adoption of such measures as are required for the relief of the

farmers and other overtaxed and under-paid laborers of the United States." Mr. Voorhees gave notice that he would speak on the resolution on Wednesday and would suggest the

remedy for existing evils.

Mr. Hall asked that his resolution concerning some Florida nominations be laid before the Senate. President pro tempore Ingalls decided that the resolution referred to executive business and could only be considered in secret Call tried to appeal, but the

Chair declined to entertain it. On motion of Mr. Sherman, the Senate then went into executive session.

The nomination of Andrew Davidson of New York, First Deputy Commis sioner of Pensions, was confirmed.

The District in Congress, The House to-day passed the bill concerning the sale of property for delinquent taxes and returned it to the Senate. It is now amended so that in addition to the pamphlet description of such property, there shall be advertised in two or more daily papers the names of the delinquent owners and the amount of the assessment, as well as the notification that the pamphlet con-

the Commissioners. Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate,

taining all the details can be had from

It is reported at the Capitol to-day that Mr. James R. Young, executive clerk of the Senate, intends to resign that office to accept the presidency of the Bank of the Commonwealth at Philadelphia, Pa. This will greatly strengthen the hands of Sensior Quay in his fight for General Baily for Sergeant-at-Arms, in place of Coloral Conductants. Colonel Canaday. The fact that Pennsylvania had Young in a principal place, besides others in smaller places, was the chief obstacle in Mr. Quay's

A gentleman who has quietly canvassed the matter says that a majority of the Republican Senators are obsti-nately and unalterably opposed to giving Pennsylvania the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate so long as Mr. Young holds his present place, and the other Pennsylvanians and the other Pennsylvanians hold their places. They are not in love with Colonel Canaday and are entirely econciled to his going, but rather than give Pennsylvania any more of the Carolinian remain awhile. Young resigns General Baily will stand good chance of winning.

The World's Fair. It looks as though the World's Fair might after all fall through. The House special committee met this morning and had anything but a love feast. The dates were fixed as follows: To open

April 30, 1892; to close October 20,

When the committee came to the financial part of the scheme the trouble began. There were only six members present, and they stood three and three for and against accepting Chicago's as-surances that it is all right. Chicago practically admits now that if she is compelled to secure a ten million guarantee fund for a fair in 1892 before the bill is passed that she will have to confess her inability to do it and give the matter up. She claims to have five millions now, and proposes to go ahead and erect the buildings and mortgage them for the other five millions. The New Yorkers say that won't do, as the State owns the lin1 on which the buildings would be put

The difficulty Chicago has had to raise even five millions will ciated when it is known that \$860,000 of the \$5,000,000 is represented by 27,000 names, or about \$30 a name The committee adjourned until to-

Presidential Nominations.

The President to-day sent to the Sen ate the following nominations: ate the following nominations:
United States Consuls—Wm. S. Preston of New York, at Cognac; J. S. Kellogg of Louisiana, at Stettin: A. W. Steel of New York, at Ccatteook; S. B. Zeigler of Iowa, at Aix-la-Chapelle; J. R. Danforth of Pennsvivania, at Verviers and Liege.
Frank Barnett of Missouri, to be Supervising Inspector of Steam Vessels for the Fourth District (St. Louis, Mo.).
Daniel Lane of New York, to be United States Marshel for the Eastern District of New York; Wm. Van Buren of Michigan, to be United States Marshel for the Eastern District of New York; Wm. Van Buren of Michigan, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of New York; Wm. Van Buren of Michigan,

to be United States Marshal for the Eastorn District of Michigan.
Franklin Sweet, Register Land Office,
Grand Islands, Neb.
Postmasters—J. M. Blately, Rapid City,

S. D.; J. M. Lewis, East Portland, Ore., and J. C. Congling, Springfield, III. The nomination of J. R. Danforth of Pennsylvania for Consul of the United States at Kell, was withdrawn.

The Professional Athlete.

From the Detroit Free Press "Show me a professional athlete 49 ears old," sald an eminent physician, and I will show you a man old beyond his time, with bones out of shape, muscles injured and joints stiffened, and no one would promise him five years more

A Great Frenk. From the New York Sun. "This ain't a dwarf! He's over five feet tall.'

'That's the great thing about him. He is the tallest dwarf in the world.

JEWISH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Riennial Convention of the Association-Hopeful Prospects NEW YORK, March 17 .- The blennial convention of the Jewish Theological Seminary Association was held yesterday in Cooper Union Hall, Joseph Blumenthal presiding. Seventeen congregations of New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Pittsburg, San Francisco, Galveston and New Haven were repre-

President Blumenthal, in his address, spoke hopefully of the prospects of the seminary. There are now fourteen young nen students in the seminary whom they hoped to send out fully equipped with secular and Hebrew learning to take their places ably as teachers in Israel. It was necessary, to secure the best results, that the teaching force should be increased, that a wellequipped library should be provided and that the seminary should have a building of its own. No work, he said, has ever been attempted in this country more fraught with interest and import ance to Judaism and to the future credit of American Jews than that in

which this seminary is engaged.

The report of the board of trustees showed that on January 15, 1888, there was a balance on hand of \$6,153.21. The total receipts since, including this balance, amounted to \$13,082.84, and the expenditures were \$7,778.28, leaving a balance of \$5,304.56. The following trustees were elected, to serve for six years: Dr. A. Friedenwald, Balti-more; Edward L. Rothschild, Philadelmore; Edward L. Rothschild, Philadel-phia, and Newman Cohen, D. M. Piza, S. Jermulowski, D. P. Hays and Louis L. Bush of New York, Moses Octtinger and Julius Sands of New York and Jacob Binger of Philadelphia were elected trustees for four years.

KANSAS FARM MORTGAGES.

The Farmers' Alliance Calls on Congress for Relief. TOPEKA, KAN., March 17 .- The Farmers' Alliance has addressed an open letter to the Kansas delegation in Congress

demanding legislation for the relief of he agricultural interests of the State. The letter says: "We call attention to the fact that a single law firm in one city in Southern Kansas now has the contract for the foreclosure of 1,800 mortgages. This means 1,800 homesteads transferred from the hands of so many industrious families to the hands of capitalists, either domestic or foreign.
"The foreclosure of the mortgages is

in accordance with a preconceived purpose to gain possession of these farms and people them with a more ervile tenantry, imported from foreign lands for this especial purpose. Foreclosures and evictions are taking place in very many parts of the State, and we reed not go all the way to Europe to witness scenes of cruelty in matters of this kind. All over the State the homes of our people are imperilled. They are structured in a second control of the scene of our people are imperilled. struggling against adverse circum-stances and almost against hope to sus-tain themselves until relief shall come."

RAILROAD MEN'S GRIEVANCES.

The Brotherhoods of Firemon and Trainmen Discuss Them. DANVILLE, ILL., March 17 .- The Brotherhood of Firemen and Brotherhood of Trainmen on the Chicago and Eastern Illinois Railroad held meetings in this city yesterday afternoon, after which committees of both organizations held a joint meeting.

A grievance committee was appointed to formulate and present to the officials of the road matters which need adjustment, chief of which is to raise the wages of the men on the Chicago and Danville divisions to correspond with wages paid on the Evansville and Terre Haute divisions. The grievance com-mittee will confer with the road officials carly next week.

Presented With an Address,

The employes of the Assessor's Division at the District Building have presented Mr. Roger Williams with an address, on the occasion of his retiring from the office of Assessor to take a position in the executive branch of the Commissioners' office, expressing the high esteem in which they hold him, and their regret at parting from him as their official head.

Lutherans Against the Bennett Law MILWAUKEE, WIS., March 17 .- Seven Lutheran meetings last night protested against the Bennett law. The Bennett law, they claimed, was only passed to interfere with private schools, and therefore all Lutheran voters are called on to support only such political candidates as favor the repeal of the Bennett law.

Harbormester Sutton made a trip in the police boat all along the river front vesterday, expecting to find many cats and vachts adrift, after the biblow of Saturday night. He found everything safe, however, the anchors having held in every instance, his only fird being a small row boat, which had got adrift.

IT WAS THE HAT.

Why President McKenzie Was Annoyed by the Bunco Steerers.

From the New York Press George R. McKenzle, who lives in Jersey, was for many years president of the Singer Sewing Machine Company, whose main offices are in a fine building in Union Square. It goes without saying that any man who could satisfactorily fill the office of president of that company must be of much more than ordinary ability. Mr. McKenzie wears a battered silk hat which looks as if it had seen several nights out on the Bowery. He is plain in his dress and not over tidy-looking, indeed, like

the typical countryman.
Union Square is the home of the bunco-steering craft of New York, and for five or six years Mr. McKcazle found himself "stood up" by some one of these gentry at least once a week. No new bunco steerer came to town who did not try his skill on Mr. Mc Kenzie. No one of them ever got him into any trap, but he became annoyed at their persistence, and one day when one of their number had been more persistent than usual, Mr. McKenzle said to him, holding out a five-dellar

bill:
See here, young man, some one of your confounded craft tries to catch me every week. I'm not a greenhorn. i was never buncoed yet and don't pro-pose to be. But I'll give you just \$5 tell me what is wrong in my appear ance that makes you fellows think that I am game for you?"

The man took the \$5, and stepping back far enough to be out of reach, re-"Old chap, it's that hat. Where did you get it?"

A Sorry Condition in France From the Philadelphia Press. France has the largest public debt of any nation in the world. It is \$6,200,- A REIGN OF TERROR.

Lawless Rule of Desperadoes in West Virginia Counties, HUNTINGTON, W. VA., March 17 .-Information received from the borders of Wayne and Legan counties, on Tug River, is that a reign of terror exists there. The Norfolk and Western Railroad has brought a dangerous element into the country, and a large number of floating saloons have been plying up and down the streams, and lawlessness reigns supreme. No fewer than six men have been killed in drunken brawls within the space of ten days. Two negroes, named Allen and Smith, quarreled in a boat house on Tug River on Friday last, and in the fight both were

Preceding these, Bell Lambert, Charles Adkins and two whisky sellers, whose names are not known, were have been seriously injured. The country between the centre of disturbance and Wayne Court House is so thinly settled and mountainous that the county officers are powerless to do anything. To add to the complication, there threatens to be a renewal of the family feuds long raging in that sec-tion, and peaceable settlers are alarmed for their safety.

BUCKS GET THEIR GUNS.

Tonto Apaches Want More Rations... Ripe for Revolt

NEW YORK, March 17 .- A special to the World from Tucson, Arizona, says: A special dispatch to the Star-Globe says that for some weeks past the Tonto Apaches at Charley Pans' Camp, on the Gila River, two miles from the agency, have been acting sullenly. On February 18, Issue Clerk Burrows and Industrial Teacher Jerry visited the camp for the purpose of issuing ration tickets to the Indians.

The officers noticed that the number of Indians present did not talk with

of Indians present did not tally with the number given as entitled to rations and they demanded that the missing ones be produced. This did not suit the Tontes, and some of the bucks got their guns and requested the interpreter to tell Burrows and Jerry that the had better return to the agency, which they did. On Saturday about eighty of the Tontos were corralled at the San Carlos Agency and they will be taken to Fort Union for safe keeping. It is now thought that the Tontos were ripe for a revolt.

HE WOULD NOT "MOVE UP."

Determining Whether or Not a Con ductor's Order is Mandatory,

Pittsbung, Pa., March 17 .- A case has been brought before a magistrate to determine whether a man must "move up" in a street car when the conductor couests him to do so. George Labg was a passenger on a Pittsburg and Birmingham street car and was ejected scaule he refused to heed the order of the conductor, Patrick McGovern, to "move up" and allow persons standing to sit down. A suit for assault and bat-tery followed.

At the hearing the prosecutor admit-ted that there was space on either side of him, but did not think that it was incumbent upon him to move in either direction. The conductor and several witnesses testified that there were two persons standing who could have been seated had Lang moved a few inches one way or the other. The Alderman has not given a decision in the case.

EXPLOSION OF BOILERS.

Bricks Burled Through Walls-Sev-

eral Narrow Escapes, PITTSBURG, PA., March 17.-Th Howard-street pumping station, a part of the Allegheny water works system, was completely wrecked vesterday morning by the explosion of a battery of sixty horse power boilers. A. L. Arm-strong, a son of the superintendent of water works, was badly injured. The ruins took fire, but the flames were soon extinguished.

Several bricks from the wrecked uilding were buried through the wall of the residence of John Cline, oppo-site the station, striking in the room where Mr. and Mrs. Cline were sleeping They escaped injury, but their house was set on fire. The total loss caused by the explosion is about \$5,000.

Fight With Mexican Horse Thieves. SAN ANGELO, TEX., March 17 .-Jerome Shields and C. L. Broome of Ranger County left here Friday night with warrants from El Paso to arrest a Mexican horse thief named Aler-visio Balenece, who was living with his brother, Agepiteco, about twenty-five miles west of here. On reaching their house a fight ensued, which re-sulted in both Mexicans being killed and Broome receiving a serious wound in his left shoulder. Shields was also lightly shot in the left hand.

Needham to Fight Mahan, FAN FRANCISCO, CAL., March 17 .-Danny Needham, the St. Paul welterweight, who recently fought Patsy Kerrigan of Boston in the California Athletic Club auditorium, has accepted Coast Champion Birly Mahan's chalenge, and has deposited \$500 with the sporting editor of a morning paper of this city. The match will probably be made by some club here in a day or so, with a large bet on the side.

MEMPHIS, TENN., March 17 .- It was discovered here last evening that a widow named Payne, living at No. 204 Washington street with her widister of the famous Federal general. Fighting Joe Hooker. A movement is on foot to raise funds to relieve the family's distress, which will be contributed to by old soldiers of both armies.

The Hopper-Myer Fight.

BLOOMINGTON, ILL., March 17 .-Jack Hopper of New York has telegraphed to Lee Chency, the manager of Billy Myer, acceding to his request for he postponement of the finish fight with Myer at Fort Worth, from May 1 to a subsequent date of May 7, on which day Myer is to fight Bowen be-fore the West End Athletic Club of New Orleans,

Burning of a Rallroad Deput BLOOMINGTON, Int., March 17.-The depot of the Chicago and Alton at Rood House, El., burned with all its contests Saturday night, including all the furniture and fixtures of the division train dispatcher's office and the offices of the division superintendent and divi-sion train master. Seven small buildlogs adjacent were also consumed. More Money for the Czar.

St. Petensburg, March 17 .- The announcement is made that all Russian import duties will be increased three months bence.

THE BAD BALLOT-BOXES

CLOSING HEARING OF THE HOUSE INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE.

Colonel Sands and Private Secretary Rurtz Face to Face Conflicting Statements Made by Two of the Witnesses Mr. Weber's Story,

With Private Secretary Kurtz, ex Governor Foraker's private secretary. on one side of the table, and Colonel Sands, who stated the other day that Mr. Kuriz spoke untruly, across the table from him, there bid fair to be an interesting session of the House Committee investigating the Ohio ballotbox cases this morning. Of the five members of the committee but two, Messrs. Turner and Mason, were present, and the dozen or so witnesses and correspondents who were present had to wait an hour or so for some of the other committeemen to drop in. When, heretofore, Mr. Kurtz has made his statements Colonel Sands has not been present, and when Colonel Sands made his emphatic denials of Mr. Kurtz's statements Mr. Kurtz has not been present. This morning, however, they were both there and the opportunity seemed favorable for mutual expres-sions of opinion as to each other's ve-

racity.

A little after 11 o'clock Chairman Mason rapped three times on the table and said the committee would come to order. Everybody stopped talking, and when perfect order reigned Chairman Mason became absorbed in a letter, which engroseed his attention for about ten minutes, while everybody else waited. When he finished the letter he gave it to Judge Turner, the other committeeman present, and he read it through carefully, while everybody else continued to wait. The letter was as follows:

CINCINNATI, March 15, 1890.

CINCINNATI, March 19, 1819.

Hon, William E. Mason, Chairman, etc.,
Washington, D. C.:

DEAR SIR: The afternoon papers report
Colonel Sandsas saying in his testimony to day that in his conversation with me Sep-tember 30 he told me that Wood had told him that he was supporting Campbell, and that he (Sands) warned me against Wood. Colonel Sands had a conversation with me in the Governor's office after the election, in which he made some statements of this general character, but in the conversathis general character, but in the conversa-tion had with me September 30 the name of Wood was not mentioned by either him or me. If Colonel Sands does not admit the correctness of this statement when you read it to him, if you will be kind enough to do so, I desire the privilege of again appear-ing before the committee to make the state ment I have here made, unless this can be inserted in the record as a part of my testimon. Very truly yours, etc. estimony. Very truly yours, etc., J. B. Foraker.

Colonel Sands' examination was then gun. He told how the Governor, use prior to his inauguration, read him its message. Mr. Kurtz was given an prortunity to question Colonel Sands a answer to his questions the Colonel and that he did not see General Grossaid that he did not see General Grossaid that venor on Sunday, September 29, at all: nor did he on the 30th endeavor to stop Mr. Kurtz, who was on his way to see the Governor, before he reached the Governor's private room. The Colonel did not remember their having a private talk before he went in to see the Govrnor.

Then Mr. Kurtz questioned the Colonel as to his having testified Satur-day that Mr. Kurtz asked him to destroy the letter he wrote the Colonel in No-vember. The Colonel explained that he had not said just that, but he had said that Mr. Kurtz asked him where the letter was, and that he had said he thought he had destroyed it. So the contradictions were reconciled after a fashion, and Colonel Sands was ex-

Mr. Kurtz then said he would like to make a statement. He was allowed to and said that his purpose in coming here was to give any one who wished to ask him anything an opportunity to do so. Mr. Kurtz also made a statement of how he gave Reporter F confidential message to Editor Halstead about the ballot box contract forgeries which he bad temporarily forgotten.

Colonel Sands asked a question or two, which elicited from Mr. Kurtz another statement of the interwiew Sentember 30, in which Mr. Kurtz said that Governor Foraker called him in to see if Colonel Sands had told them both the same story. Kurtz also denied that he asked Colonel Sands if he found his letter or expressed any desire that is should be found. He also denied Colonel Sands' statement that he had wrong in telling Mr. Halstead about the

"It don't wrong me any," interjected 'Nor me either," retorted Mr. Kurtz. Chairman Mason asked Mr. Kurtz if ie had asked Colonel Sands to say noth ing about their talk, and Mr. Kurtz said he had not. He also stated that Colonel Sands had said that Wood knew all Sands had said that trood was a about the matter, but that Wood was a ed sort of character, and that would have to be very careful in regard

Colonel Sands asked about the relivate secretary's talk with Governor Foraker after the Colonel's interview. ernor Feraker had mentioned Wood by name. Then Mr. Kurtz stated that he was never so sorry about anything in his life as of this thing. He exdained how ant two people were to Isagree in their remembrance of matvitally interested and the other not so

George Weber, the ex sheriff, was then He said he had known Wood for fifteen years. He had often talked with Wood about ballot boxes, and Wood often offered him stock in the ballet-box scheme. Mr. Weber did not know of the scheme for having Con-eress adopt the ballot-boxes. Last fall contract for a thousand of the boxes. lus Mr. Weber did not know who the contract was with. Mr. Weber never read the contract himself, but Wood read it to him. This was a year ago. The witness said he did not believe all

nrake a statement. He said he under stood Colonel Sands to have testified that he had told Mr. Kurtz that Wood had told him Mr. Campbell had been to ee the President twice about the bal-let lox matter. Mr. Kuriz wished to state that Colonel Sands had not menfoned Wood's name to him.

Then General Grossener wanted to make a statement. He told how once during the last campaign he was to address a meeting at Marletta. He was very anxious that General Butterworth hould aid him, and he sent severa very urgent telegrams asking him to do Trust me, Charley; I'll be with you, I burned this telegram," said General Gresvener, "and how it got into the hands of my enemies is beyond me. This finished the hearing, and Chair-

man Mason said that he thought the in-

vestigation might be closed now. A brief private session of the committee was then held to arrange for the arguments in the case, and then the com-mittee adjourned and the investigation of Ohio's scandal was practically ended, all but the report of the committee.

FIFTEEN PROPLE POISONED.

Seven Families Seriously Stek From Eating Corned Beef.

READING, PA, March 17, -Fortwentyfour hours all the members of seven families, in this city have been suffer ing terrible torture from poisoning. A intervals they are selzed with violen poins in the limbs, retching and head ache. The physicians who are in attendance attribute the sudden attack to the saltpetre in a quantity of corned beef which each family had purchased from Neithammer & Hurst, butchers, of

The senior member of the firm admits that there was more saltpetre in the meat than there should have been, but denies that there was enough to poison any one. He states that he and als family ate of the same beef without unfortunate results. The patients, while not out of danger, are improving. and may all recover.

FIVE COUNTERFEITERS CAUGHT. The Government Makes an Important

Discovery in Wheeling WHEELING, W. VA., March 17 .- An xtensive gang of counterfeiters have been unearthed here, and five members have just been captured. Recently a raid was made on the boat-house of Hiram Lewis, an apparently decrepit old man, and an extensive counterfelters' outfit captured, with nearly

2,000 coins. The gang escaped at the time, but Saturday John Armistead and Thomas Beech, two members, were arrested at Mason City, and Sunday another raid was made just above here and two others captured. The counterfeiters nade a determined resistance, but were taken, and spurious coin found on them. The gang has been operating for a year, and thousands of bogus dol-lars put in circulation by them.

A TERRIBLE SLEEP-WALK. The Wife of Ex-Governor Chency

Probably Killed. MANCHESTER, N. H., March 17 .-Mrs. Cheney, wife of ex-Governor P. C. Chency, while in a somnambulistic state, at an early hour yesterday morning fell over the railing of the stairs to a land-ing beneath, a distance of nearly twenty feet. She was very seriously injured and is considered to be in a most critical condition, Governor and Mrs. Chency returned in a late train last night

from a trip abroad.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL. NEW YORK, March 17. - Money loaned easy throughout the morning 4665 per eent. Exchange steady; posted rates, 82 [@ 485]; actual rates, 481 [@ 481] for sixty days, and 4841664841 for demand. Governments steady; currency 6s, 116 bld; 4's coupons, 1224 bld; 44s do.,

Reading, Union Pacific and Tennes-see coal absorbed most of the specula-tion on the Stock Exchange this The opening prices were 1003

morning. cent, higher for the general list. The only noticeable exceptions were Tennesseec Coal and Oregon Short Line. The former dropped from 474 to 433 Toward the end of the first hour both

In the hour to noon the market was firm but dull. Atchison was the feature and advanced 11 per cent. Tennessee Coal recovered to 46 and Oregon Short Line to 445. The remainder of the list was firm, and at this writing values are to 1 per cent, higher than they closed

New York Stocks The following are the prices of the New York and Chicago markets as reported by

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914 914 91 91 91 214 Washington Stock Exchange Sales—Regular Call—12 o'clock m.— Columbia National Bank, 10 at 178; 10 at American Graphophone, 25 at 15%; 50 at 151; 50 at 151. Washington Lou

50 at 184; 50 at 154. Washington Loan and Trust Company, 100 at 3; 100 at 3;

200, 80.

Hadroad Stocks — Washington and formetown, 275; Metropolitan, 165; Countila, 60; Capital and North O Street, 2; Edington and Soldler's Home, 76; surance Stocks—Firemen's, 45; Frank-ler, Metropolitan, 53; National Union, Arthyston, 180; Corcoran, 631; Colum-

i, 171; German-American, 189; Potomac, Riggs, 84; People's 52; Title Insurance Stocks—Real Estate (Ie, 123); Columbia Title, 63; Washington Gas and Electric Light Stocks-Washing ton Gas 431; Georgetown Gas, 48; U. S. Electric Light, 113 Telephone Stocks—Pennsylvania, 25;

Telephone Stocks—Pennsylvania, 25; Chesapeake and Potomae, 84; American Graphophone, 15, Miscellaneous Stocks.—Washington Market Co., 18: Washington Brick Machine Co., 315; Great Falis Ice Co., 182; Bull Run Panorama Co., 23; National Safe Deposit, 240; Washington Safe Deposit, 197; Washington Loan and Trust Co., 3; National Typographic, 30; Mergenthaler, 10; Pneunstie Gun Carriage, 1; Wash Loan and Trust, Co., —; American Security and Trust Co., 314.

## FLOATING IN THE RIVER

BENJAMIN A. JONES' BODY IS FULLY IDENTIFIED.

The Marine Corps Paymaster's Clerk Who Disappeared in December-Story of How He Dropped Out

from His Family and Friends. The body of a white man floating with face downward was found in the eastern branch of the Potomac river yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock, which was identified this morning as the remains of Mr. Benjamin A. Jones, ex-

paymaster's clerk of the Marine Corps,

whose mysterious disappearance in December last will be remembered. The tide was running in and the body drifted ashore between the new bridge and the rallway bridge. The patrol wagon was summoned and the body taken to the Anacostia Station-House, where it was left for identification. The remains were those of a man about 50 years old, 5 feet 9 inches in height, and well pre-served. There was no writing of any kind found by which the body could be identified. In the pockets were found a pair of eye glasses, forty cents in money, a match safe on which was engraved "Knights Templar, 23d Con-clave, St. Louis, Mo.," and on the re-

"Compliments Anheuser-Bush Brewing Co. All doubt was cleared up this morning when friends of the family of Jones made a thorough examination of the clothing and effects and were thoroughly convinced that it was none other than the missing paymaster's clerk. The Coroner gave a certificate to that effect. Jones has been missing since Christmas night of last year. He put on an old suit of clothes, kissed his wife good-by and went into the street, From that time until the floater turned up in the river yesterday there has been no intimation as to his whereabouts, al-

though the general supposition has always been that he committed suicide. The morning after Jones' su iden dis appearance a letter was brought to the ouse and in it he said that he had gone never to return. About the same time a sailor picked up a hat that he found floating in the water, near the Navy-Yard, which was identified as the hat Jones wore when he left home. It was developed that Jones was short some \$3,600 in his accounts. This amount was, however,

made good by Paymaster Goodloe. FIRST AND LAST QUARREL,

A Young Man Hanged Himself Because his Wife Scolded WILKESBARRE, PA., Macrh 17.-When Andrew Sutliff, a young fireman, returned to his home at Plymouth on Saturday evening his young wife colded him. Sutliff said to his wife: 'Well, I have always heard it said that young married people should beware of the first quarrel. Well, this is our first, and I think it will be our last. The first quarrel means bad luck for us both." The husband said nothing more. A 10 o'clock yesterday his dead body was brought home from the beiler-house. During the absence of the other workmen Sutliff hanged him-

PECULIAR PENSION ROMANCE. Mrs. Harrison Helps a Veteran to Se-cure His Rights,

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., March 17 .-A reculiar pension romance has just come to light here. T. C. Mason, a disbled veteran of this county, has been trying for years to secure a pension, but wing to lack of means and technical difficulties failed. He recently wrote to Mrs. Harrison, stating the facts of his case, and in a few days received a reply directing him where and how to make his appeal. Armed with Mrs. Harrison's letter Mason made another flort, and as a result of the First Lady's intervention, he is now enjoying

a comfortable pension.

Sad Death of a Teacher. CINCINNATI, O., March 17.-Katie Ott, a weil known young lady teacher at the Sixth district school, suicided ast night at her home, 100 York street, by firing a bullet into her brain. The use of the tragedy was ill health, but her death was hastened by the alleged who prepared and sent her an insulting letter. Miss Ott was 26 years of age and remarkably handsome,

nan, of Carnegie & Co., says that 2,000 tons of Bessemer pig iron ordered by it for the making of steel. Mr. Leishman says the Southern ores will never

Southern Iron Not Liked.

Pittishuno, March 17.-Mr. Leish

hipped to this district on any ex-A Large Flour Mill Destroyed, DANVILLE, ILLS., March 17 .- J. C. Comers' five story frame flour mill at Georgetown, 11is., was destroyed by fire Saturday night. Loss, \$18,000; in-surance, \$1,500. Of the large quantity of wheat, corn and flour in the mill

only a few barrels of flour were saved BERGIN, March 17 .- The Emperor

William, in a letter to the Pope, informs him that he has appointed Bishop Kopp of Breslan one of the delegates to epresent Germany at the Labor Conerence. The Pope thanked the Em Three-Fourths of a Town Burned, BEUNE, March 17 .- The village of

Gampel has been almost wholly de-

stroyed by fire. Fully three fourths of

the buildings of the place were burned The loss is very heavy. Many of the villagers were injured. Princess Kurageorgievitch Dead DEPTINIE, March 17.—The eldest child of the Prince of Montenegro, Princess Sorka, is dead. She was mar-

ried August 11, 1883, to Prince Peter Karageorgievitch. Dined by Hismarck BESTER, March 17 .- The British delegates to the International Labor Con-

creace were given a dinner by Prince Bismarck yesterday. may differ, but all connoisseurs pronounce

the J. Cuivet & Co. Bordeaux and Burgundy wines to be of excellent quality. For sale by the Schoomaker Company and other leading dealers. Local Weather Forecast,

For the District of Columbia, Eastern New York, Eastern Francylmina, New Jerkey, Maryland, Delaware and Virginia, fair weather to-day, followed by light, mon-to-night; warmer on Tuesday and Wednes-day; southwesterly winds.